

REMARKS

In an Office Action mailed June 1, 2007 claims 1 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 54, 55 and 57 – 59 stand rejected. New claim 60 has been added. Support for claim 60 may be found in the specification at page 7 – 8. Claims 1 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 54, 55 and 57 – 60 are currently pending. The attached Abstract has been placed on a separate sheet of paper according to U.S. practice.

35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 54, 55 and 57 – 59 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as being indefinite. The Examiner contends that the preamble of claims 1 and 54 reads on more than one substituent of the N-group at the same time. Claims 1 and 54 have been amended to recite compounds. Claims 2 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 55 and 57 – 59 have been amended to recite compounds for which there is now antecedent basis. Support for the amendment to claims 1 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 54, 55 and 57 – 59 may be found in the specification at page 7 and the Examples.

The Examiner contends that claims 37 – 59 are incomplete in that the host in need of such treatment has not been set forth. Claims 37 – 53 and 56 were cancelled in a preliminary amendment mailed June 13, 2005. Claim 54 is directed to a process. Claim 55 is directed to pharmaceutical compositions. Claim 57, directed to a method of treating bacterial infections has been amended to set forth the host in need of such treatment. Support for the amendment to claim 57 may be found in the specification at pages 7 – 8.

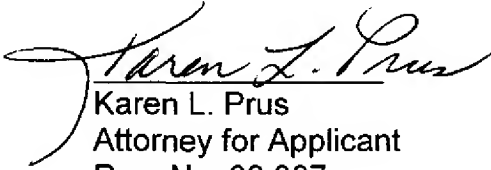
Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1 – 13, 20, 21, 25, 54, 55 and 57 – 59 under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. An early consideration and notice of allowance are earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees required
or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1392.

Respectfully submitted,

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